God’s Gift of True Bread: The Flesh of the Son of God for the Eternal Life of Chosen Disciples (John 6:22-71)

1. Jesus exposes those who come to Him wrongly (vv.22-34)
   1. Jesus confronts the crowd’s misdirected enthusiasm (vv.22-27)
      1. The crowd eagerly searches for Jesus (vv.22-25)

*“They acknowledge him as teacher though they are about to dispute his teaching, they clamour for him as king (v.15) though they understand little of the nature of his reign.” (D.A. Carson)*

* + 1. Jesus reveals their wrong motivations for coming to Him (v.26)
    2. Jesus redirects to the proper motivation for coming to Him (v.27)
       1. It comes to receive what Christ offers—eternal life.
       2. It comes with full assurance in Christ’s authority to give this.
  1. Jesus confronts the crowd’s unbelief (vv.28-33)
     1. He corrects their reliance on works—The food Christ offers is given to those believe (vv.28-29)
     2. He corrects their earthly-mindedness—The food Christ offers is Himself (vv.30-34)
        1. The crowd’s demand for another sign of physical manna (v.30-31; cf. Ex. 16:14; Ps. 78:23-24; Ps. 105:40; Neh. 9:15)

*“If Jesus is superior to Moses, as his tone and claims suggest, then should not his followers be privileged to witness mightier works than those seen by the disciples of Moses?” (D.A. Carson)*

* + - 1. Jesus’ clarification about the source of “true” manna (v.32; cf. 1:9; 4:23; 15:1)
      2. Jesus’ identification of the true manna—Himself (v.33)
      3. The crowd’s continued misunderstanding (v.34)